

HE MET PERSHING

Topeka Sergeant in France
Tells of a Handshake.

U. S. General Also Gave Him
Real American Cigar.

HE IS A LOYAL YANKEE

Sergt. E. A. Fritz Writes of De-
termination To Win.

He Formerly Was in State
Journal Mail Room.

An American soldier in France, who went to the colors from Topeka, is Sergt. E. A. Fritz, who writes home to his parents expressing to them some of the pride he feels that they have been able to give their sons in the fight for liberty. His parents were both born and brought up in Germany, but are thoroughly American in feeling and national spirit. Their sons are eager to do their part in delivering the death blow to Prussianism.

Sergeant Fritz was employed in the mail room of the Topeka State Journal for three years, leaving that position in 1911.

From His Letters.
Excerpts from recent letters to his parents follow:

Work in the school has been practically the same as the previous weeks with the exception of more field work. Had some real firing last week and a good demonstration of how these big guns work. Yes, they



Thomas H. Ince presents
WILLIAM S. HART in "The Tiger Man" An ARTCRAFT Picture

At the Orpheum.

William S. Hart, in "The Tiger Man," appears at the Orpheum three days next week. The play puts Hart back on the broncho, in chaps and wielding a big gun to the satisfaction of all kids from 7 to 70.

Ruth Ingram, played by Jane

Novak, a new feminine player with Artcraft pictures, appears as a woman of courage and enough will power to change Hart from a criminal steeped in crime to a hero deserving fame.

The story is an absorbing narrative of the desert days of the gold rush.

A notorious bandit is regenerated thru the religious fervor of a beautiful

woman, the wife of a minister of the gospel, and he surrenders to the officers of the law in order that the pastoral duties of the minister and his wife may be successful. The incidents are, as usual in the Ince-Hart pictures, dramatic and thrilling and in the "Tiger Man" they exert a powerful heart appeal.

IN FUNSTON NOW

June Call of Topeka Draft Men
Left Friday Night.

Ten Thousand Friends and
Relatives Were at Station.

UNIT COMPRISED OF 277 MEN

Monster Parade of Civilians Es-
corted Them to Train.

Was Biggest "Send Off" Ever
Held for Topeka Selectives.

From a depot crowded to far beyond capacity with friends and relatives and streets lined for blocks with automobiles, 277 Topeka and Shawnee county selective service men left for Camp Funston Friday night. It was the largest crowd that has ever turned out to see a contingent of Topeka men off, and the contingent itself was the biggest that has yet gone out from Topeka and Shawnee county in answer to a single call. Today the men of the June draft are all in Camp Funston undergoing the first steps toward the making of effective Hun

It is estimated that fully 10,000 persons and 2,000 automobiles were jammed and crowded on the depot platform and in the streets leading to the depot at the time the train left. Traffic thru the crowd was next to impossible; street cars were able to progress only a few feet at a time. If a person was able to penetrate the crowd to a distance of forty or fifty feet, it was all over—no backing up

AT THE THEATERS

At the Novelty.

In spite of the very painful accident in which Miss Marie Walcamp was seriously injured during the taking of one of the episodes of "The Lion's Claw," she is back in the game again and going stronger than ever. She is at the Novelty Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the fourteenth episode of "The Lion's Claw." An excellent vaudeville bill has also been booked for the first half of the week, including "The Steve Stevens Duo, one-hand balancers and tumblers; Senna and Weber, comedy character delineators; Fred Lewis, in Fifty Nutty Nonsense and The College Quintette, comedy harmony singers, presenting "The Rehearsal." As a big added feature, Manager Roy Crawford has just

Installed a gigantic exhaust fan that is guaranteed to change the air in the Novelty every minute.

After two weeks of black-face musical comedy with real colored folks in the cast, which, by the way, was quite an innovation, next week the policy goes back to the usual run of white shows. A musical tabloid company will be offered by Harvey and Coy, who will present "The Blue Melody Maids," an up-to-date musical comedy revue, featuring "The Jazz Harmony Four" and Joe Small, master of the violin. The company manager claims a singing and dancing chorus that is really pretty and comedians that are actually funny. There will be an entire change of program every day. The opening bill for Monday and Tuesday will be "The Girl in Blue."

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GEM Today Tonight

Roy Stewart

"Boss of the Lazy L"

6-Reel Western Drama

GARFIELD DANCE—TONIGHT

The Singing and Dancing Beauties With "The Blue Melody Maids" at The Majestic All Next Week.



make quite a squeak when they go off. You have quite a bit of thunder in Kansas and every time you hear it you can imagine what the guns and shells would like over here. Yesterday we had a big field maneuver, much like the peace days in the United States with big guns and big armies. Had quite a congregation of men among whom were French generals and General Pershing. This was the first time I had ever seen the distinguished gentleman and was very much impressed. While working in the field, the "old boy" stopped and shook hands and even passed me a cigar. Can you imagine a big general and this humble sergeant passing compliments in this manner? Well, this was (and still is) a 14-inch shell couldn't have jarred me off my pins any quicker. Had a good notion to pickle and preserve the cigar but thought it might get lost in the shuffle and cheat me out of a good smoke. It was what you would call a campaign cigar, but not the kind served at election time. Tra la, tra la, tra la. You have heard of the story, "when a fellow needs a friend." Well, this was one time when I wished I had gone with a camera.

The last week has not been so awfully hard, as we had a busy Thursday. We had a field day the entire day. Had running and jumping contests with cash prizes in the morning and a baseball game in the afternoon. They were as a whole a success, but still they lacked the enthusiasm that they could have had if there had been some of our American fair sex present. Anything of this sort, however, is a good thing for the soldier, as it relieves his mind from his duties and allows him to feel a little care free. Have had two mornings, last Thursday and today that sleep wasn't broken by that infernal bugle. Seems as though every time I hear first call in the morning I swear that it will be the man's doom if he blows it when I am back in civilian life again.

The Yankee Split.
Have learned with interest the intensity of the German drive which is going on at present. Am only sorry I am not one of those who are opposing it. Would give anything to be in the thick of it. If they would only put an American force in front of them, I have no fear but what the Germans would find they have struck a knot going thru the soft pine. The more I see of America's fighting force, the more I feel proud of the country they hit from. If Germany thinks she is hitting fruit when she hits the American line, all right, but I fear she is hitting into some pretty bitter stuff which is going to leave a bad taste in her mouth to remember. She has pulled some pretty raw stuff which only tends to put a determination in the American and I feel confident the American doesn't forget very quickly. As far as I am concerned, and I know a good many more like me, I will give them a little of the stuff Stonewall Jackson was made of in a twentieth century war. I am only proud of the fact that you people are Americanized to the full extent of backing me in anything I do. I feel very proud of you in giving Walter and me to an army of a country which has never known defeat. Should they ever be such a thing as a lost member of your household, bear it in mind and let those who inquire know that a coward was never known to be of your blood. Being lost in a battle of this war is not to be mourned over, but it is an honor which people of former or future generations cannot boast over. If we are able to go thru this living hell, either live or die, all we ask of you is to be brave, and if necessary, be a good loser.

CHURCH NOTICES

(These notices must be in the State Journal office by 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon. Unless otherwise noted in this column services will be held at 11 o'clock in the morning and 7:30 o'clock in the evening.)

Baptist.
FIRST Ninth and Jackson streets. Robert Gordon, pastor. Regular morning service. Evening service on east steps of state house at 8 o'clock.

FIRST SWEDISH. Summer school house, Fourth and Western avenues, C. A. Segstrom, pastor. Regular services at 11 o'clock and at 8 o'clock.

Catholic.
HOLY NAME PARISH, Tenth and Clay streets. Low Mass and sermon at 8 o'clock. High Mass and sermon at 10:30 o'clock. Benediction after high mass.

Congregational.
CENTRAL, Huntoon and Buchanan streets. Charles M. Sheldon, pastor. Morning sermon at 11 o'clock. Seabrook church will join in morning service.

Lutheran.
FIRST, corner Fifth and Harrison, C. W. Maggart, pastor. Regular morning worship, with sermon on "Too Little for the Lamb." Holy communion.

Presbyterian.
WESTMINSTER, corner Huntoon and College avenues. Ralph Ward, pastor. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Sermon by the Rev. J. C. Schuck. Evening services at Park school house.

FIRST, opposite capitol grounds, Dr. S. S. Eatey, pastor. Morning sermon, "Loyalty to America," at 11 o'clock. Evening service on east steps of the state house.
REDDEN CHAPEL, Second and Monroe streets, N. W. Hart, pastor. Celebration of the Lord's supper in the evening at 8 o'clock.

NEW THOUGHT CHURCH, 914 Topeka avenue. Morning sermon at 11 o'clock by Judge M. B. Arnold. "Masterful Inactivity."

SPIRITUAL TEMPLE BUILDERS, corner Fourth and Monroe streets. Evening service at 8:30 o'clock. The Rev. A. Solt of Holton will preach.

FIRST UNITED BRETHREN, corner Twelfth and Quincy streets. E. H. Given, pastor. Morning sermon, "The Servant-Which?" Evening services on east steps of state house.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 522 Polk street. D. T. Broadus, pastor. Morning services at 11 o'clock. Evening services at 8 o'clock.

BOYS IN HUN ARMY

Youths of Class of 1919 Serving in Thirty Divisions in France.

With the American Army in France. German youths of the 1919 class who were serving in thirty divisions of the German army are among the prisoners who have been captured within the month. Information shows that men of this class are at the front in still other divisions.

It is known that these young men are placed in the regiments in proportion of ten to each company and that they are called upon in larger proportion as reinforcements to replace the men lost in battle. They were sent to the front generally after only five months of training owing to the haste of the German preparations for the present great offensive on the western front.

SEVEN SENTENCE SERMONS.

Strength of mind is exercise, not rest.—Prov. 27.1.

To travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive, and the true success is to labor.—Stevenson.

Sail on, O ship of State! Sail on, O Union, strong and great. With all the hopes of future years, Is hanging breathless on thy fate! —Longfellow.

Man is not the creature of circumstances; circumstances are the creatures of man. Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.—Prov. 27.1.

I thank Thee that I learn Not to be afraid; With all beneath the sun It makes me one; For tears, whereby I gain Kindship with human pain; For Love, my comrade by the dusty way, I give Thee praise. —Emily Reed Jones.

I beg you whatever be your suffering, to learn first of all that God does not mean to take your sorrow off, but to put strength into you, that you may be able to carry it. Be sure your sorrow is not yielding you its best, unless it makes you a more thoughtful person than you have ever been before.—Phillips Brooks.

NEED TRUCK DRIVERS

Red Cross Sends Out Call for Men—Report to St. Louis.

St. Louis, June 29.—The southwestern division of the American Red Cross has been asked to enroll for immediate service abroad twenty-five motor truck drivers who can repair the trucks as well as drive them. They will be maintained while abroad, equipped, given uniforms and transportation and \$36 a month while in the service. Applicants should write to the Director of Personnel, American Red Cross, St. Louis.

USE EXTRA PENSION FOR U. S.

Clifton Man Says Invest Extra Pension in War Savings Stamps.

Clifton, Kan., June 29.—E. W. Brown, adjutant of the local G. A. R. post, is urging all his comrades to invest the money they receive on the new pension allowance in war savings stamps. He says that the purchase of the stamps with the extra pension money will not work any hardship on the majority of the veterans.

Governor Capper expressed the pride the state of Kansas takes in its fighting men, and said farewell to the men in the name of the great commonwealth.

Seamen Struck Reef.

Boston, June 29.—The steamer Onanaga, Boston for Florida points, struck a reef off Watch Hill last night and went to the bottom. The crew of thirty-five was saved.

Last Appearance of Famous Screen Duo



JACK PICKFORD AND LOUISE HUFF.

Motion picture patrons throughout the country will chalk up another score against the Kaiser when they learn that he is responsible for separating that popular screen duo, Jack Pickford and Louise Huff. Jack has given up his profession and joined the navy because the Hun decided to make

the world unsafe for democracy. Handsome Jack and pretty Louise have appeared together in Paramount pictures with great success. They will be seen together in their last photograph shortly, when "Sandy," adapted from Alice Hegar Rice's famous story, will be released.

Novelty

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in

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